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1. SUMMARY: GON FULLY AWARE OF SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH WE VIEW POSSIBILITY US COULD BE EXCLUDED FROM DRAFTING COMMITTEE. GON IS INSTRUCTING ITS DELEGATION SUPPORT WHATEVER SOLUTION WILL ENSURE US HAVE SEAT ON BOTH GENERAL AND DRAFTING COMMITTEES. END SUMMARY.

2. EMBOFF DISCUSSED REFTELS WITH WALKATE, LOS SPECIALIST IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS DIVISION, MFA, DEC 10. HE HAD NOT RPT NOT RECEIVED ANY REPORTING FROM GON DELEGATION IN NEW YORK AND WAS MOST GRATEFUL FOR SUMMARY ON STATE OF PLAY EMBOFF ABLE PROVIDE THROUGH CONFIDENTIAL

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REFTELS. WALKATE FULLY AGREED US SHOULD BE MEMBER OF

BOTH COMMITTEES. HE COMMENTED IT WOULD BE INTOLERABLE IF ALL PERMANENT MEMBERS HAD SEAT EXCEPT US AND APPRECIATED EFFECT SUCH SITUATION WOULD HAVE ON US CONGRESSIONAL AND PUBLIC OPINION. WALKATE SUGGESTED PROCEDURE WHEREBY FIVE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES MIGHT BE AUTOMATICALLY MEMBERS OF DRAFTING COMMITTEE AND ADDITIONAL NUMBER OF PLACES, 25 OR SO, BE ALLOCATED TO VARIOUS REGIONAL GROUPS. HE POINTED OUT, HOWEVER, SOLUTION WOULD HAVE TO BE REACHED IN NEW YORK. WALKATE'S CABLE OF INSTRUCTION TO DUTCH DELEGATION WAS APPROVED BOTH BY INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS DIRECTOR TERWISSCHA AND MFA'S DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION (RUTTEN).

3. COMMENT: MFA, WHICH FULLY AWARE SERIOUSNESS WITH WHICH WE VIEW CURRENT SITUATION, WANTS US ON BOTH COMMITTEES. ON LOS MATTERS, HOWEVER, IT IS PROF. RIPHAGEN WHO CALLS THE SHOTS. HE HAS BEEN HELPFUL IN PAST AND WE TRUST HIS INSTRUCTIONS WILL MOTIVATE HIM TO HELP US BREAK THROUGH CURRENT IMPASSE AND ASSURE US SEATS ON BOTH COMMITTEES.
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